REMARKS

Claims 2-4, 6-8, 11-20, 27-29, 34-37, and 40 are pending herein.

I. The double patenting rejections based on claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 7,124,094, as noted on

page 3 of the Office Action.

The USPTO respectfully provisionally rejects all of the claims on the ground of non-

statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of U.S. Patent

No. 7,124,094.

Applicants respectfully note that a terminal disclaimer regarding U.S. Patent No.

7,124,094 is included herein. Therefore, it is respectfully asserted that the provisional double

patenting rejection based on U.S. Patent No. 7,124,094 has been overcome.

II. Conclusion.

Reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional charges with respect to this Request for Reconsideration or

otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

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